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1. Damian Hajduk et al., "High Throughput Viscometer and Method of Using Same," U.S. 2002/0148282, Patent Application Publication, published October 17, 2002.
2. Phillip Prescott et al., "Rheometer," U.S. 2003/0183016, Patent Application Publication, published October 2, 2003.

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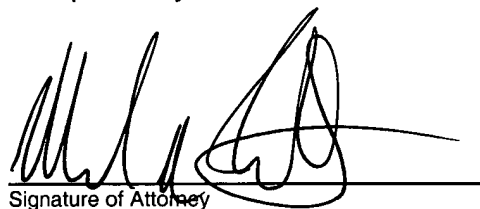
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